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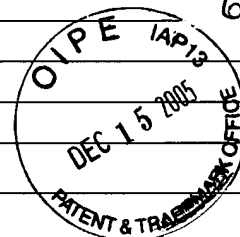
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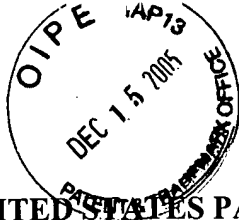
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NISHIWAKI, *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/788,367

Filed: February 21, 2001

For: OPTICAL DISK DEVICE HAVING LIGHT
CONVERGING MEANS WHICH MARKS PLURAL
SIGNAL MARK POSITIONS IN A DIRECTION
SUBSTANTIALLY PERPENDICULAR TO TRACKS

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The amendment to claim 1 as filed July 22, 2004, was not entered. As such, the requested correction to claim 1 is attached on Form PTO-1050.

Since all of the errors are ascribable to the USPTO, no fees are required.

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APPLICATION NO.: 09/788,367

ISSUE DATE : June 21, 2005

INVENTOR(S) : Nishiwaki, et al.

It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In the Claims:

1. An optical disk device comprising:

a light source which emits light; and

light converging means of, in each of signal mark forming regions, each of lands, or each of grooves of an optical disk, converging the light from said light source onto a signal surface of said optical disk ~~with to selectively positioning a signal mark at any one of~~ position signal marks ~~at plural positions which are arranged~~ in a direction that is substantially perpendicular to tracks, each of said signal mark forming regions surrounded by adjacent two of boarder lines which are between two said tracks on the signal surface of said optical disk, and which are substantially parallel to said tracks, and each of which substantially divides an area between adjacent tracks in two parts.

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